

MISSOURI CAPITOL POLICE ADVISOR

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JANUARY 2011

Security Alarms

Capitol Police continues to receive numerous alarms each morning from many area state office buildings. Please ensure that your building or office area is coded in (where applicable) when you enter an area in order to prevent unnecessary officer response. If you work in a building monitored by Stanley Convergent Security Solutions (formerly Sonitrol) and are having trouble with the system, call them at (877) 476-4968 and they may be able to help walk you through the code-in process. You may also notify Capitol Police at 522-2222 if you are having problems with the system.

Operation Toys 2010

Operation Toys 2010 was a tremendous success! On December 18, several local children got to ride along with officers in patrol cars and activate the lights and sirens on the way to the Jefferson City Kmart. The children got to see Santa Claus arrive in a helicopter and were then greeted by Santa as they entered the store. And finally, the children got to shop with a cop! Other law enforcement agencies participating in Jefferson City's Operation Toys program were the Department of Corrections, Missouri State Highway Patrol, Jefferson City Police Department, Cole County Sheriff's Department and the Lincoln University Police Department. Capitol Police was able to sponsor three children this year: six-year-old Frank, seven-year-old Jeremiah, and nine-year-old Brishea.

Welcome Officer John Fisher

Missouri Capitol Police welcomes Officer John Fisher to the department. John started with MCP Dec. 16 and previously served as a law enforcement officer with the Ashland Police Department.

Spotlight:	Medical Emergencies	
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If you witness a coworker suffering from a medical emergency, contact emergency medical services as soon as possible by dialing 911 (9-911 if calling from a state line). If you are in the Jefferson City area, contact Capitol Police as well (522-2222). Capitol Police officers are trained in CPR/AED through the American Heart Association and our patrol cars are equipped with first aid kits and AEDs (automated external defibrillators).

While on the phone with the dispatcher, remember to speak calmly and clearly, answer all questions, and follow any directions that are given. It is also helpful to have the following information ready, if possible:

- Location of the emergency (*the street address or block number as well as the floor/room number, if applicable*)
- Type of emergency (*fall, choke, seizure, chest pains, etc*)
- Whether the patient is conscious and breathing
- Approximate age of the patient
- Your name and callback number

Also, if you have time *after* you have called for emergency assistance, notify your building or office front desk so that someone can direct emergency responders once they arrive.

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FEBRUARY 2011

Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Missouri

Capitol Police is pleased to support Special Olympics Missouri through the Law Enforcement Torch Run. MCP hopes to raise awareness of this outstanding organization. SOMO's mission is "to provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with mental disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy, and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes, and the community" ([from www.somo.org](http://www.somo.org)). If you'd like to purchase a Torch Run tee shirt or get more information about SOMO, please stop by the MCP Truman Building Office (Room 101), or contact Cpl. Christin Templeton (christin.templeton@dps.mo.gov).

Missouri Capitol Police Will Put Grant Funds to Work

Capitol Police has been awarded \$3,792 through the 2011 Local Law Enforcement Block Grant/JAG Program. The department, which is required to make a 10 percent match, will use the funding to purchase important equipment, like ballistic vests, additional Automated External Defibrillators and upgraded medical assistance kits.

Avoiding Scams

Capitol Police reminds everyone that scams come in all forms these days. Scammers use e-mail, phone calls and personal contacts to take advantage of those who often can least afford to be ripped off. Remember to guard your personal information. Never give credit card information to someone who claims to need it to verify your identity. Never provide your Social Security number unless you are applying for credit or employment and you are certain of whom you are dealing with. Read more: [How to Avoid Internet Fraud | eHow.com](http://www.ehow.com/how_16019_avoid-internet-fraud.html#ixzz1D0la3dKI) http://www.ehow.com/how_16019_avoid-internet-fraud.html#ixzz1D0la3dKI

Spotlight:	Reporting Harassment	A small purple icon of a megaphone with a blue outline.
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Harassment can be summed up simply as behavior that is threatening or disturbing. Workplace harassment is any discriminatory conduct in the workplace that no reasonable employee should have to endure.

Harassment is illegal and can be an early indicator for violence. Capitol Police urges everyone to report harassment to law enforcement as soon as possible. Additionally, if the harassment occurs at work, or you believe it may become a problem at work, notify your supervisor. You may also be able to obtain a temporary protection order for yourself and any affected children under age 18.

According to the Missouri Adult Abuse Act, [Chapter 455, RSMo](#), a person may seek an order of protection from acts, attempts or threats to him or her from a family or household member or intimate partner; or from acts of stalking. The petitioner must be at least 17 years of age or must otherwise be emancipated. Court clerks will provide assistance completing the necessary forms.

Under the Missouri Child Protection Orders Act, [Sections 455.500 through 455.538, RSMo](#), a person may seek an order of protection on behalf of a child who has been the victim of child abuse or stalking. The petitioner must be a parent, guardian, guardian ad litem, court appointed special advocate or a juvenile officer. Court clerks will provide assistance completing the necessary forms.

For more information, please contact your local law enforcement agency or circuit court. You may also visit the Missouri Courts website, www.courts.mo.gov.

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MARCH 2011

Reporting Suspicious Activity

Capitol Police reminds state employees to be vigilant in reporting suspicious activity to their local law enforcement (MCP dispatch: 522-2222). Try to provide as much detailed information as possible when calling in such activity: what was suspicious, number of people involved and their descriptions and vehicle descriptions and license plate numbers, if possible.

Law Enforcement Torch Run / Special Olympics Missouri

Capitol Police continues to show its support for Special Olympics Missouri through the Law Enforcement Torch Run effort. The department is selling both long and short-sleeve event tee shirts. Anyone interested may stop by our office or contact Corporal Christin Templeton (christin.templeton@dps.mo.gov) for more information. For ideas on ways to show your support, visit Special Olympics Missouri's Web site at <http://somo.org/>.

Spotlight:	Pedestrian Right-of-Way: When and Where	
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Capitol Police encourages all state employees to remember to cross roadways using pedestrian crosswalks when available. Crossing roadways outside the designated pedestrian crosswalks is hazardous. A refresher on some of Missouri's pedestrian traffic laws are below. For full statute information please follow the hyperlinks provided within this digital document.

Pedestrians' right-of-way in crosswalks:

[RSMo. 300.375](#) states that when traffic control signals are not in place or not in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is on the half of the roadway on which the vehicle is traveling, or when the pedestrian is approaching so closely from the opposite half of the roadway as to be in danger. It goes on to say that no pedestrian shall leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for the driver to yield. Furthermore, whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass the stopped vehicle.

When pedestrians shall yield:

[RSMo. 300.390](#) states that every pedestrian crossing a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles on the roadway.

When pedestrians are prohibited from crossing:

[RSMo. 300.395](#) states that between adjacent intersections at which traffic control signals are in operation, pedestrians shall not cross at any place except in a crosswalk. Furthermore, no pedestrian traffic shall cross at a roadway other than in a crosswalk in any business district or on any street designated by an ordinance.

Visit our home page at WWW.MCP.DPS.MO.GOV for safety tips and more

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APRIL 2011

Thefts from State Office Buildings

Since, Jan. 1, Capitol Police has received several reports of thefts from local state office buildings. Capitol Police urges all employees to lock up unattended belongings or take them with you when leaving your workstation for an extended period of time. Money, electronics and medications are three of the items most commonly stolen. If you notice something missing, report it as soon as possible. Any suspicious activity should also be reported immediately.

Threatening Communications

Threats from people who may be dissatisfied with state programs sometimes come in to state offices by phone, email and regular mail. While many individuals may be venting frustration, all statements that a caller would do harm to someone or that the safety of state employees is at risk should be taken seriously. Capitol Police reminds anyone receiving threatening communication to retain the original message when possible, and to notify a supervisor. If a threat was made during a non-recorded phone call, write down the date, time, general content of the conversation, the threat, what led to the threat, and any other important details. Contact Capitol Police or your local law enforcement agency to report the incident.

Welcome

Missouri Capitol Police welcomes officers David Louiselle and Michael Hiller. Officer Louiselle is assigned to the Executive Protection Division and Officer Hiller to the Operations Division.

Law Enforcement Torch Run / Special Olympics Missouri

Capitol Police continues to support Special Olympics Missouri through the Law Enforcement Torch Run. The department has both long- and short-sleeve t-shirts available for sale. Prices are \$15 for the long sleeve shirts and \$10* for the short sleeve shirts (*\$15 for size 3XL). Anyone interested in purchasing a t-shirt can stop by Capitol Police Headquarters, Room 101 of the Truman Building, or contact Corporal Christin Templeton (christin.templeton@dps.mo.gov) for more details. You may also visit Special Olympics Missouri's Web site for more ways to show your support: <http://somo.org/>.

Spotlight:	911 Calls	
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Capitol Police has responded to numerous 911 hang-ups. While it may be your first instinct to hang up if you've misdialed, **Capitol Police emphasizes the importance of staying on the line if you've dialed 911, even if it was by mistake.** Instead of hanging up, wait until you reach the dispatcher and then inform the dispatcher that you dialed 911 by mistake. To ensure safety, even if it was a misdial, officers will make contact with the individual to verify there is no emergency.

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MAY 2011

Found Property

Lose something at work or in the parking lot? Missouri Capitol Police collects and stores many lost and found items. Contact our Communications Center at 751-2541 to see if your lost item was turned in to our office. Items are available to be picked up from our main office, Room 101 of the Truman Building, Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Law Enforcement Torch Run / Special Olympics Missouri

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Spotlight:

Severe Weather Warnings and Sirens



Cole County's outdoor warning sirens sounded on Friday, April 22 as severe weather moved through the area. As we move through tornado season, it is important that state employees have a clear understanding of how severe weather warnings work in the area.

According to the Jefferson City Police Department: *Outdoor warning sirens are designed to notify the public there may be a danger to life or property. If you hear a warning siren, you should seek shelter and tune to a local television or radio station for information. Although some sirens can be heard from within a building, their primary purpose is to notify citizens who are outside of a potential problem. There are 15 outdoor warning sirens located throughout Jefferson City and one siren in Russellville. The sirens are activated by communications operators from the Police Department. The sirens are tested the first Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m., unless threatening weather conditions exist.*

When these sirens sound, Capitol Police Communications Operators are able announce the warnings/watches in state buildings equipped with remote-access PA systems. Because of their importance, these announcements are made as soon as possible. It is important that employees understand what the sirens mean and do not call Capitol Police with questions during an emergency warning. Because of the danger posed by severe weather Capitol Police also encourages state agencies and employees to consider using NOAA radios and/or sign-up for weather Web site applications that allow users to register e-mail and/or cell phone numbers to receive up-to-date weather alerts.

It is also important to understand what is meant by "warning" and "watch" when you receive severe weather alerts. According to the National Weather Service:

- A **WARNING** is issued when a hazardous weather or hydrologic event is occurring, is imminent, or has a very high probability of occurring. A warning is used for conditions posing a threat to life or property.
- A **WATCH** is used when the risk of a hazardous weather or hydrologic event has increased significantly, but its occurrence, location, and/or timing is still uncertain. It is intended to provide enough lead time so that those who need to set their plans in motion can do so.

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JUNE 2011

Law Enforcement Memorial

A candlelight vigil was held the evening of Friday, May 6, to honor all of Missouri's fallen law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty. The following morning, a memorial service was held to honor the five officers who died in the line of duty during 2010; two additional law enforcement officers who died prior to 2010 were also added to the Law Enforcement Memorial Wall. For details and ceremony photos, see the [Department of Public Safety New Release](#).

Sign-Up for the MCP Advisor

To receive the monthly *Missouri Capitol Police Advisor* via email, send Sergeant Brian Kempker an email (brian.kempker@dps.mo.gov) with "Advisor" in the subject line. Your email will then be added to the distribution list.

Welcome

Missouri Capitol Police welcomes back Officer Dave McCurley. Officer McCurley will again be serving the department on evening shift.

Law Enforcement Torch Run / Special Olympics Missouri

Capitol Police continues to support Special Olympics Missouri through the Law Enforcement Torch Run. Please stop by our office in room 101, of the Harry S. Truman State Office Building to find out how you can assist us in making a difference in the lives of participants in the Special Olympics.

Spotlight:

Workplace Safety, Security and Crime Prevention



State employees play an important part in workplace safety, security and crime prevention. You can help reduce the likelihood of crime and violence in your workplace, by remembering to:

- Use your ID badge or code when accessing secure buildings or areas; don't allow others you don't know "piggyback" behind you.
- Secure valuables when leaving your work area for a prolonged period.
- Secure doors, windows, and cabinets/drawers at the end of the day.
- Report suspicious activity as soon as possible; providing as much information as possible about the activity and possible suspect(s).
- Report thefts, threats, property damage, etc as soon as possible.
- If you fear someone from your personal life may try to cause harm to you at work, report the situation to your supervisor and/or law enforcement; you may also be interested in filing for a protection order. More information is available at: www.16thcircuit.org/Depts/dept_faq.asp?dept=DMV

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JULY 2011

New Parking Ticket System Creates Efficiencies

In July Capitol Police will begin using a new electronic parking ticket system that will reduce costs and allow officers to get back to patrolling more quickly. The system utilizes a wireless handheld unit and a wireless printer. The new system means officers won't have to write out tickets by hand and submit expensive carbon copies for logging and processing. Parking tickets will look similar to a cash register receipt and will be placed in a manila envelope. Although the tickets will look different, parking fines will remain the same and should still be mailed with payment directly to the Circuit Court's office in the envelope provided, along with the ticket. Officers may still use handwritten tickets when necessary.

Capitol Police Puts Grant Into Motion

MCP Officer Josh Fisher and canine Peanut will now be on patrol in a new vehicle after being awarded a grant from the 2010 Homeland Security Grant Program. Officer Fisher and Peanut can check for explosive devices, not only on state property but around Mid-Missouri when requested.

Deadline for Torch Run Tee Shirts is Thursday, June 30th

Capitol Police continues to support Special Olympics Missouri through the Law Enforcement Torch Run. The department has both long- and short-sleeve tee shirts available for sale. Anyone interested in purchasing a tee shirt can stop by Capitol Police Headquarters, Room 101 of the Truman Building, or contact Corporal Christin Templeton (christin.templeton@dps.mo.gov) for more details by June 30. You may also visit Special Olympics Missouri's Web site for more ways to show your support: <http://somo.org/>.

Spotlight:	Salute to America 2011	
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This year's Fourth of July celebration in Jefferson City will be an extended affair. The carnival will open Saturday, July 2, and a full schedule of events and activities will be open to the public on Sunday, July 3, and Monday, July 4. Road closures around the downtown complex will begin the evening of Wednesday, June 29 and continue through Monday night. Drive slowly and allow yourself extra commute time when traveling through the area.

Additional information:

- For information regarding celebration activities, visit: <http://www.salutetoamerica.org/>
- For information on prohibited activities with regard to public use of state facilities, visit: <http://www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/1csr/1c35-1.pdf>
- The Capitol will be open from 8am to 5pm, Saturday through Monday. For tour information, visit: <http://mostateparks.com/park/missouri-state-museum>

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AUGUST 2011

Local Law Enforcement Unites to Ensure Safe July 4th Holiday

Missouri Capitol Police officers patrolled at the Capitol during the July 4th Holiday weekend as part of a unified command with other local agencies. Officers patrolled on foot and on bikes to best serve the large crowds. Officers responded to two medical emergencies and reunited two children with their families after they became separated during the congestion after the fireworks display.

In-Car Camera Systems Valuable for Patrol Officers

All five Capitol Police patrol cars are now equipped with in-car camera systems. Two cameras in each vehicle record activity out the front windshield and in the back seat. In-car cameras can be invaluable tools for law enforcement agencies, capturing video that can be used in DWI and other cases. The cameras also provide video that can be used to train officers about officer safety and awareness.

Capitol Police Officers Receive Anti-Terrorism Training

Two Capitol Police officers recently received training as part of a U.S. Department of Homeland Security sponsored program focused on preventing and responding to terrorist bombings. The week-long training program incorporates both classroom lectures and live-range demonstrations of various explosives. All expenses were paid by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Lost and Found

Capitol Police continues to maintain a lost and found in our main office. If you have misplaced an item, please check our lost and found to see if it has been turned in. Keys, earrings, glasses, cell phones, clothes and other items are turned in almost on a daily basis. If you would like to check for your missing item, you may call (573) 751-2541, or stop by our main office in room 101 of the Truman Building. Items are available for pick up Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Spotlight:	Office Security	A small blue icon of a projector or a spotlight, oriented vertically.
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Capitol Police would like to remind employees to pay attention to doors and windows when leaving the office to ensure that they are properly closed and locked. With heat and humidity soaring recently, doors can swell and stick, preventing them from securing properly. To protect employees as well as personal and state property, officers ask that you double check to make sure your office doors and windows have securely latched and locked. If you are unable to get a door to secure or lock, notify Capitol Police at (573) 522-2222 so extra patrols may be conducted in that area.

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SEPTEMBER 2011

Customer Satisfaction Survey

September kicks off Missouri Capitol Police's annual Customer Satisfaction Survey. This survey helps MCP review its service plan to ensure that all practices are up to date and effective. Individuals who are registered to receive the Advisor will automatically receive the electronic survey on or after Sept. 1. Those who do not receive a survey but would like to complete one should send an email to Sgt. Brian Kempker at brian.kempker@dps.mo.gov with "survey" as the subject line. If you would like to participate in the survey and receive the monthly Advisor, email Sgt. Kempker with "Advisor and survey," as the subject.

Special Session Begins September 6

Gov. Jay Nixon has called a special session for Missouri's General Assembly that is scheduled to begin on Sept. 6. State employees working in the downtown complex should prepare for an increased demand for parking beginning Sept. 6.

Suspicious Activity Reports

Capitol Police encourages all state employees to continue to immediately report any type of suspicious activity that they might witness. By reporting suspicious acts immediately, Capitol Police officers are able to quickly respond to the scene and assess the situation. Please do not hesitate to call, even if you are not sure the unusual activity is criminal.

Spotlight:	Parking Enforcement	A small icon of a parking meter with a blue and grey design.
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Jefferson City state parking lots are monitored and enforced by Capitol Police according to regulations set by the Office of Administration and state law. Parking tickets may be issued for a variety of violations, including handicap violations, overtime parking, yellow curb violations, double parking and parking in reserved/restricted areas, etc.

"Over-parking," or parking over a line of a marked parking space has become an issue in state lots recently. Over-parking prevents others from parking properly in adjacent spaces, creating tight areas that can lead to door dings and scratches. As a courtesy to other parking lot users and to prevent being issued a ticket, drivers should stay within the lines of all parking spaces and use caution when parking.

If you believe you have received a parking ticket in error, you may contact the issuing officer, whose name appears toward the bottom of the ticket. Officers can be contacted by leaving a message with communications at (573) 522-2222. If you are not satisfied with the officer's response you may speak with Capitol Police supervisor or appear in court on the scheduled date noted on the ticket.

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OCTOBER 2011

Customer Satisfaction Survey

Missouri Capitol Police would like to thank about 1,000 state employees who participated in this year's Customer Satisfaction Survey, which allows MCP to ensure that all practices are up to date and effective. Information regarding the electronic customer survey was included in last month's Advisor, and the survey was available to state employees who receive the monthly Advisor or who requested a survey by e-mail. Sgt. Brian Kempker is now working to compile the results, which will be presented in an upcoming Command Staff review.

After-Hours Escorts

As daylight hours begin to fade, Capitol Police would like to remind state employees that officer escorts are available. Employees who feel uncomfortable walking to their vehicle alone after hours should contact Capitol Police at (573) 751-2541 or by e-mail at Mcp.Operator@dps.mo.gov to request an escort. While officers are available to provide this service, MCP cautions that there may occasionally be a wait involved due to building lock-ups and service calls.

Parking Enforcement

To maximize the availability of parking for the thousands of state employees who park legally, Capitol Police officers continue to strictly enforce all parking regulations. A new electronic ticketing system means that officers can now patrol and issue tickets much more efficiently. As a result, more tickets are being issued. To avoid being ticketed, and as a courtesy to others, please comply with all parking regulations throughout the Capitol Complex.

Spotlight:

Think Safe, Ride Safe, Be Safe! Traffic Safety Campaign



The U.S. Department of Transportation's National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and the popular animated series *Chuggington* announced a new partnership to teach children between the ages of 2 and 7 how to be safe in and around cars. The nationwide traffic safety campaign includes a public service announcement, a kid-focused safety pledge and tips and activities for parents and caregivers to use with children.

According to NHTSA, motor vehicle crashes continue to be the leading cause of death for children. In 2009, there were 1,314 fatalities and 179,000 injuries to children 14 and younger. In 2007, an estimated 262 fatalities and 115,000 injuries to children 14 and younger occurred from pedestrian accidents involving children playing in or around motor vehicles. The new partnership combines NHTSA's safety guidelines for pedestrians, school buses, bikes and car seat use with *Chuggington*'s characters to reach parents and children.

To read more of this article and the safety campaign, please visit the NHTSA Web site at www.nhtsa.gov and follow the "Read More" link on the "Think Safe, Ride Safe, Be Safe!" campaign headline.

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NOVEMBER 2011

Protect Against Theft—Including at Work

To avoid potential thefts, Missouri Capitol Police reminds employees to secure jewelry, electronics, purses, wallets, medications and other valuables when away from their desks. Employees should also take these valuable items home at the end of the day. Capitol Police also recommends that employees write down the serial number, make, and model of their valuables whenever possible in case they are stolen. An officer can then enter a serial number into a national database for all law enforcement agencies to view.

National Emergency Alert System Test is Nov. 9

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Communications Commission will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System (EAS) at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9. The EAS is a media communications-based alerting system that is designed to transmit emergency alerts and warnings regarding weather alerts, child abductions and other types of emergencies. The nationwide test may last up to three and a half minutes and will be broadcast on all radio and television stations and service providers until it reaches the entire U.S.

Spotlight:	Holiday Shopping Safety	
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With Christmas approaching, Capitol Police reminds everyone to keep a few safety tips in mind during the holiday shopping season.

- When shopping, take only the credit cards and cash necessary for your planned purchases.
- Keep a written record of all credit card names and numbers in case of theft.
- Try to park in well-lighted areas with pedestrian activity, close to the store. Avoid areas near dumpsters or cargo trucks that may reduce visibility.
- Never leave packages in plain sight in your vehicle. If shopping at multiple destinations, place purchases in the trunk before leaving for the next store.
- Never leave personal items, such as purses, wallets, cash, credit cards, cell phones, or GPS units, in your vehicle.
- Always lock car doors and roll up the windows.
- Always be aware of your surroundings and report suspicious activity immediately.

If shopping online, consider these useful tips:

- Use familiar Web sites.
- Only make purchases from secure sites. The URL that appears when payment information is requested should begin with "https://" (instead of "http://"), and a locked padlock icon should appear somewhere in the window of the browser, NOT in the Web page display area. The padlock is not just a picture. Click on it to see details of the site's security.
- Check credit card and checking account statements regularly for fraudulent activity.

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DECEMBER 2011

Operation Toys

Capitol Police is participating once again in Operation Toys, an annual program to provide less fortunate children in our community with toys for Christmas. Capitol Police is joining with other area law enforcement agencies to raise money to provide toys to a total of about 60 children. Money raised by the law enforcement agencies and donations from other local organizations is used to purchase Kmart gift cards. Once the children are presented with their gift cards, law enforcement officers drive the children to Kmart and accompany them as they shop. Other agencies participating are the Jefferson City Police Department, the Cole County Sheriff's Department, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Lincoln University Police Department and the Department of Corrections. This year's event will be held Saturday, Dec. 17. Listen for the sirens as the officers and children drive to Kmart!

After-Hours Escorts

Capitol Police reminds state employees that we offer after-hours escorts to those who do not wish to walk to their vehicle alone after dark. To request an officer escort, contact Capitol Police at (573) 522-2222. An officer will assist you to your vehicle as soon as they are available.

Two December Event Affect Capitol Complex Parking

Capitol Police reminds state employees that two large events scheduled in December will affect parking in the downtown complex during after-hours. The events are:

- Saturday morning, Dec. 3—Annual Jefferson City Jaycees Christmas Parade
- Tuesday evening, Dec. 13—Annual Jefferson City High School “Capitol Caroling”

Spotlight:	Capitol Police Has Moved	
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On Nov. 30, Capitol Police relocated to a new office at 630 W. Main—the northeast corner of the West Main Street-Bolivar Street intersection. The new office will house the Patrol Division and the command and administrative staff.

Capitol Police Communications and the department's support services sergeant will remain in the current location, Room 101 of the Truman Building. Found property will also continue to be handled in the Truman Building office.

Visitors to the new location will enter the building through the main entrance on West Main, unless disabled access is required. For those in need of ADA accessibility, use the rear entrance to the facility, through the State Information Center. Please call (573) 522-2222 so that an employee can escort you.